

Post office

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Boston

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If the Liberator is to be useful in the cause
of abolition it must haul off from some of its
objectionable doctrines - desert from violent
language. [I can swallow strong meat - but
I cant away with such epithets as "Gospel Babbling"
Mantle is none to harsh for me but
casting with sacred words is inexcusable &
wicked as well as highly injurious -

[Mr Fitch & others may have done
wrong - but I think their views of Mr G's
course will accord with those of the great
majority of Abolitionists - especially in
this Town and County.] I sincerely hope
that Mr G - and Mr Fitch will be at
Norwich and have all the subjects of
difference talked over ⁱⁿ ~~with~~ a Christian
spirit and hereafter labor together harmoni-
ously in ^{the} great cause of humanity.

There should be some distinct
expression of sentiment upon the subjects
disputed, and above all let things be called
by their right names. let there be no
"insinuations" but every thing above
board. Pardon me for writing so much
and accept my sincere wishes for your
success in behalf of the slave.

Yours Milton M. Fisher

We shall be represented in Norwich

paper, and it would be a great sacrifice
of feeling to reject Mr. G. as an efficient
coworker in the cause of Abolition. But,
if he strenuously advocates the abolition
of either civil or family government and
considers them a usurpation of power
as Slavery. I have done with Mr. G. as a
discreet and successful advocate for
the slave. Men who are the leaders of a
Reform so great as that in which you
are engaged, when public opinion must
be so completely changed, should be as
little obnoxious in regard to general subjects
as possible. It would not have been
wise in our Temperance Agents, to have
embroidered every evil with which our race
is afflicted. Mr. G. has a perfect right to
his peculiar views, he has a right to
disseminate them as an individual
but not as a hired Agent of the A. S. Socy,
else the Society is made responsible

... The Character of a Society is
known by the Character of its members
especially its officers and Agents,
so we judge of the Colo- Socy, now
let us not "eat our own words"

Westboro. Sept 20. 1834

Milton M. Fisher.

Rev. A. A. Phelps

Dear Sir



Took

a letter from the Office this morning addressed to Mr Mosse. Merchant or Abijah Wood. By Mr Mosse I suppose I am meant as there is no Merchant in this town who is generally known as an abolitionist beside myself.

I write principally to correct the mistake as several communications have been misdirected before.

I look forward to the convention at Worcester with great interest and hope it will be numerously attended. It is very evident to my mind that something must be done to heal the divisions among the friends of the slave. That division exist cannot be denied, they are real and will be permanent unless an effort be early made to restore the broken harmony. [I have from the beginning sympathized with Mr. Garrison read & circulated his